

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Pershing is ready to begin pushing.

Mary Pickford has taken \$100,000 of Liberty Bonds.

Three times as many submarine chasers the contract calls for will be delivered August 1.

The British are getting volatile and quite chesty over the recent victory. They say the Messines advance was a mere prelude to the summer campaign they have inaugurated.

Mrs. J. M. Campbell has lost another lady book-keeper from her insurance office by marriage, the fourth in the last few years. P. S.—The vacancy is still open, girls.

The Germans have abandoned Zeppelins for raids on England and are now using rapid and invisible airplanes that drop bombs from an altitude of two miles on school houses and churches. And they call this war.

A prohibitory tax on foodstuffs used in making beverages, tentatively agreed to last week by the Senate Finance Committee, was still further increased Thursday. The new rate is \$60 per hundred pounds instead of \$20, and representatives of distilleries say it will force the absolute suspension of the distilling industry. Incidentally it will eliminate a very troublesome factional issue from Kentucky politics.

A Tokio special says the American government's note to China expressing regret over the dissensions in that country and a sincere desire that tranquility and political co-ordination be forthwith established, caused surprise and unfavorable criticism in Japan where the action is regarded as ignoring Japan's special position in China. The newspapers call the action of the United States glaring interference and warn the government that it is probably an epoch-making precursor of further activities.

n. Pershing was given a great popular demonstration in Paris.

From hundreds of windows American flags were waved by men, women and children. French girls, flags pinned to their breasts and with arms filled with flowers bought from their scanty savings, fairly fought for a chance to get near enough to the machines to hurl their offerings into the laps and on the shoulders of the astonished American officers. The Americans apparently had not imagined the heights to which Parisian enthusiasm could rise. Boys, men and girls and even some old women struggled to jump on the running board of Gen. Pershing's car to shake hands with him.

Zeppelin Destroyed.

London, June 15.—Zeppelin L-43 has been destroyed over the North Sea by naval forces, Chancellor Boer Law announced in the House of Commons. The Admiralty reports that no survivors of the Zeppelin were seen.

H. Clay Smith.

Prof. H. Clay Smith, formerly of Hopkinsville and later in the employ of the Kentucky Anti-Saloon League, and who is now holding a professorship in Phillips University at Enid, Okla., will spend three months of his summer vacation canvassing Kentucky for the Anti-Saloon League.

Mr. Nabb Stricken.

Mr. C. T. Nabb, a prominent farmer living in the Pincham neighborhood, was stricken with paralysis Saturday. The stroke was sufficiently severe to confine him to his bed, and we trust the effect will be only temporary.—Trenton Journal.

More Devilment.

Five lives were lost by a mysterious explosion in American Sugar Refining Company's plant in Brooklyn, where explosion and fire caused an estimated property loss of \$1,000,000 Wednesday night.

DID WELL BUT FELL SHORT

Liberty Bond Campaign Closed Yesterday At Noon.

UNDER \$400,000 QUOTA

Three Counties In The District of Six Not Heard From Yesterday.

The Liberty Bond campaign under the energetic leadership of R. E. Cooper added many thousands to the total, but the final figures of \$350,000 were about \$50,000 short of the \$400,000 asked for.

General Chairman, Geo. C. Long, had six counties to look after. The amounts apportioned to each were: Christian, \$400,000; Trigg, \$120,000; Todd, \$155,000; Muhlenberg, \$255,000; Logan, \$230,000; Butler, \$125,000, a total of \$1,285,000.

Christian raised \$350,000, Trigg \$120,000 and Todd \$123,500, a total of \$693,500. The other counties not heard from will raise probably \$100,000 to \$200,000. The district will be short about \$500,000.

In a national way the campaign entered the home stretch with every indication that the tremendous drive throughout the nation would result in going well beyond the \$2,000,000,000 goal.

From coast to coast the story that poured into the treasury all day was the same, a story of a whirlwind finish. Telegrams told of tolling bells and shrieking whistles across the continent marking the last day of the campaign; of redoubled efforts by the many agencies at work for the loan's success, of enthusiasm at its highest pitch of long waiting lines of subscribers in thousands of banks in every state of the union.

It seems certain that at least 2,500,000 persons subscribed before the books closed at noon.

Measuring the total by the number of liberty loan buttons which have gone out from headquarters, the number of subscribers should exceed 3,000,000.

TO FILL IN 2 MILE GAP

Private Subscriptions Are Wanted on Princeton Road.

There is a gap of two miles on the Princeton road, from the edge of the new pike to the end of the county line, that Judge Walter Knight is trying to raise money to continue the road. The people along the road have given liberally and the fiscal court and road commission have each agreed to give \$1,000. The total cost will be about \$12,000, and as it is an inter-county seat road, the State will pay half.

It is necessary to raise \$6,000 and about \$4,000 has been subscribed. This road penetrates a territory that does its trading in Hopkinsville and is one of the most important roads of the county. Judge Knight himself gave \$200, and is asking the business men to contribute as much as they will to insure the road, which is to be completed to the county line on the other end.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Will Whittaker, an employee of the Forbes Mfg. Co., was seriously hurt Thursday morning, when a piece of timber in a self-feeding saw which he was operating, kicked back and struck him in the stomach. He was taken to the Hospital for treatment.

Mr. J. W. Chestnut, prominent tobacco buyer and mill man of Trenton, received painful injuries early Sunday morning from a fall on the stairway at his home.—Trenton Journal.

SENATOR JOHN W. KERN SPOKE LAST NIGHT

HUNS RETREAT LOATH TO FIGHT

Germans Yield Important Positions to British East and South of Messines

VANTAGE POINTS GAINED

French and Belgian Batteries Are Pounding Savagely and Enemy Replying

The British troops in the region of Messines are continuing to make gains at various points against the Germans, who apparently are unwilling to give battle. Both east and south of Messines, fresh advances by Field Marshal Haig's forces and the capture of important first line positions are reported. The new advances, in the neighborhood of the hamlet of Gaspard, which lies directly east of Messines and between the rivers Lys and St. Ives and east of Ploegsteert woods, for a direct menace from both the north and south to the important town of Wattenon and the road leading eastward toward Comines.

Along the front in Russia and Galicia quiet still prevails, except that occasionally the Germans and Austrians are making reconnaissances with small parties which generally meet with hard usage at the hands of the Russians. In the Caucasus region the Kurds have delivered strong attacks against the Russians, but all of them were repulsed.

With the abdication of King Constantine of Greece and the departure of the former monarch, the queen, the crown prince and the royal entourage for Athens to embark on a British warship that will take them to a point from where they can proceed to Switzerland, the Macedonian theatre holds forth promises of early important developments. Additional entente troops have occupied further strategic points in Greece, notably at Piraeus, the port at Athens and also in Thessaly with the purpose of protecting the ripening crops.

Meanwhile on the fighting front along the Greco-Serbian frontier, considerable fighting is taking place, but without any important results.

The Austrians on the Carso plateau and northeast of Gorizia, in the Austria-Italian zone, have delivered attacks against the Italians occupying positions they recently captured. All the attacks, however, went for naught owing to the accuracy of the firing of the Italian artillerymen.

Another German Zeppelin has been destroyed by the British naval forces while it was flying over the North sea. The commander of the expedition, in announcing the destruction of the airship, said it burst into flames shortly after being attacked and fell into the sea and that none of its crew was seen afterwards.

MINSTRELS NEXT.

Prof. C. J. Schubert is at work organizing a minstrel troupe of local talent to put on a show similar to the one recently staged hereby the Clarksville troupe. He says he is finding plenty of musical talent and will make the show the best one he has ever staged.

FORD WILKINSON, JR.

Ford L. Wilkinson, Jr., a former Hopkinsville boy, who is a member of the 1918 class of the U. S. Naval Academy, will graduate in a few weeks, a year ahead of time. The class was advanced on account of the need of officers.

And Was Heard By a Large Crowd at The Lincoln Chautauqua.

WEATHER IS FAVORABLE

And The Attendance is Satisfactory At all of The Performances.

The Lincoln Chautauqua made its initial bow to the people of this community Wednesday. The Hipple orchestra furnished the program Wednesday afternoon and also a prelude to the address of Mr. Hamilton Holt, at night. The Hipple Company is one of the most versatile in the chautauqua world and the audience was vastly pleased by the playing, especially the all around ability of Mr. Hipple. Mr. Holt delivered an address which brought out many new phases of the international relations of the American people and those of other lands. He spoke from first hand information concerning the league to enforce peace. The audience was small on account of the weather, but those who were present heard an address worth their while.

Thursday afternoon the program was furnished by the Vierras Hawaiian singers and players and Prof. W. A. Ganfield, president of Center College, Danville, Ky. At night the Hawaiians were followed by Albert and Martha Gale in "Songs and Stories of the Red Men." The Gales gave their entertainment in costume and both entertained and enlightened their hearers with their stories and legends of the American Indians.

Yesterday the people of Hopkinsville had the privilege of hearing the Chicago Male Quartet and Miss Maude Willis in the afternoon. The Chicago Quartet at night gave a prelude to Senator Kern, who took the place of vice-president Marshall.

It is very seldom that a city of our size has the pleasure of having two such attractions as Miss Willis and Senator Kern in one day. Miss Willis' renditions were highly appreciated and of course, everybody heard Senator Kern, for he brought a message direct from the President to the people of Hopkinsville. Senator Kern was formerly a candidate for vice-president and later the majority leader in the U. S. Senate. The Senator brought an inspiring message of patriotism and was heartily welcomed by the people of Hopkinsville.

To-day the program will begin with the Youth's Chautauqua. The afternoon performance will consist of music rendered by the Schroeder Quintet, after which Dr. Robert Perry Shepherd will speak on "Babies and Folks." The Schroeder Quintet will give a prelude in the evening to Dr. Shepherd's lecture on "Efficiency and Democracy."

There will be no Sunday Chautauqua. Monday's program will be given in the afternoon by the Emerson Winters' Company and Mrs. A. C. Zehner. The Winters' Company will also be on the night program followed by a Pageant given by local talent.

FOR DEFENDANT.

Jury Decides Suit Against Captain Cherry.

In the case of J. M. Guthrie against Capt. S. A. Cherry, conductor on the Tennessee Central Railroad, tried in Circuit Court, the jury returned a verdict for the defendant. The plaintiff sued for \$2,000 damages alleging that Capt. Cherry charged him with stealing a piece of meat from the depot.

HAS TYPHOID FEVER.

Miss Mary Bell Bible, who returned a few days ago from Randolph-Macon College, came home ill with typhoid fever, and is sick at the home of her uncle, Mr. John H. Bell.

TWO ELOQUENT FLAG ORATIONS

One By a Son of a Confederate, the Other By a Son of a Union Soldier.

Thursday was Flag Day and in the afternoon at 5 o'clock the local Elks Lodge gave their annual Flag Day celebration. The exercises took place at the Elks' Home, but only a small crowd was present. Those present, however, heard an excellent program.

The music was furnished by those members of the Third Regiment Band not yet called to the front. The Hon. James A. McKenzie delivered the patriotic address of the occasion and those not present missed one of the most patriotic and touching addresses heard here in many days.

The Elks' tribute to the flag was given by Mr. James Breathitt, Jr., and he paid the tribute due the flag in a most glowing and acceptable manner. At the close of the ceremony the ladies present were presented with flowers by the Elks.

The following is the full program:

Selection,.....Band

Introductory,.....Ira D. Smith

Prayer,.....Rev. Geo. C. Abbott

Address,.....James A. McKenzie

Selection,.....Band

"Elks' Tribute to Old Glory,"

James Breathitt, Jr.

America,.....Band

Benediction,.....Chaplain

ESPIONAGE BILL LAW

Food Leaks Into Germany to Cease—America Can Force Needed Reports.

Washington, June 15.—Control of exports was given the government today when the senate finally approved the administration espionage bill with its embargo clause. The measure now sent to the president for his signature, puts into the hand of the executive a weapon by which it is intended to stop supplies from entering Germany through neutral countries.

Passage of the bill removes to a great extent the necessity of the British blockade since the United States, originator of most of the exports that reach the neutrals, will be in position, with the aid of British machinery established during the three years of war, to see that the countries are supplied with just enough food and materials for their own needs.

The measure also gives another powerful weapon to the president in that it permits him to trade for articles controlled by the allies which heretofore have been permitted to come to America in limited quantities. The United States, with an enormous trade balance in its favor and largely independent of the rest of the world for farm supplies, can force release of the supplies it does need by exercising its new power over exports.

Fifty Killed.

London, June 15.—Fifty persons were killed and many persons were injured by an explosion at Ashton-under-Lyne, near Manchester, England, Thursday.

Arthur W. Copp Dead.

Washington, June 13.—Arthur W. Copp, Superintendent of the southern division of the Associated Press, died here yesterday of a complication of diseases after a lingering illness. He was forty-nine years old.

Methodist Church.

Lewis Powell, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m. J. H. Cate, Supt.
Mr. Frank C. Brown will preach at 10:45 a. m. on "War in Kentucky, and Battle with The Great Destroyer."
Dr. Powell will preach at 8 p. m. on "The Judgment of Sodom."
Epworth League at 7 p. m. John C. Lawson, president.

COL. M'BRYDE PRESIDENT

Midsummer Convention of the Ky. Press Association Comes to Close.

WOODSON MAY HONORED

General Important Standing Committees Made Up of Most Efficient Men.

The midsummer session of the Kentucky Press Association came to a close at noon Thursday.

Lieut. Col. Robert J. McBryde, of the First Kentucky Regiment, and associate editor of The Times, who has been vice president of the association during the past year, was unanimously elected president for the ensuing term. He succeeds John B. Gaines, of Bowling Green. Col. McBryde was elected notwithstanding the fact that he is now at Fort Sill, Okla., on military duty and will probably be unable to give any attention during the coming year to press matters.

B. F. Forgey, who nominated him, said that Col. McBryde is fighting the battles of everyone now, and the least the association could do was to honor him with the highest office in the body.

Woodson May, of Somerset, was elected vice president. He has been Executive Committee Chairman for the past year. B. F. Forgey was elected Chairman of the Executive Committee. J. C. Alcock, of Jefferson-town, was re-elected secretary-treasurer, and was instructed to wire Col. McBryde informing him of his election.

On motion of William Grote, of the Vanceburg Sun, a resolution was adopted asking the members of the association to petition the Kentucky Representatives and Senators to co-operate with the Federal Trade Commission in securing relief from the high price of paper.

John B. Gaines, of Bowling Green, now ex-president of the association, at the forenoon session Thursday in the auditorium of The Seelbach, announced the following committee to classify the advertising rates of the Kentucky press, according to circulation:

James R. Lemon, Mayfield Messenger; J. N. Larue, Franklin Favorite; Harry Sommers, Elizabethtown News; J. C. Alcock, Jeffersonton Jeffersonian; D. M. Hutton, Harrodsburg Herald; J. T. Wilson, Cynthiana Log Cabin, and G. B. Seaff, Mt. Sterling Advocate. Each member is from a different appellate district.

Mr. Sommers at a busy session of the committee, was chosen chairman, while Mr. Alcock was named secretary. The committee will send a letter to the Kentucky newspapers to secure the necessary information before any decision is reached as to rates. The rates will be determined by the classification of papers and advertising.

At the suggestion of Woodson May, editor of the Somerset Journal, the committee also was empowered with authority to take up the matter of securing a standard paper price, as well as other matters for the best interests of the membership.

The committee will also consider the plan of negotiating for a representative to secure foreign advertising for the Kentucky publishers.

The Clipper Changes Hands.

J. O. Cooper has sold the Midway Clipper to John G. Brown and Frank L. Walter, both employees of the office. J. D. Nunneley, of Georgetown, whose lease had expired, retired from the management.

Universalist Church.

Rev. Thomas Chapman, Pastor.
Preaching Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Subject: Sacred and Profane; What is Sacred? What is Profane?
Sunday school meets every Sunday at 9:45 a. m.
All are most cordially invited to attend the services of both Church and Sunday school.